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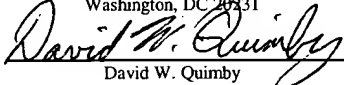
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Application No.: 09/841,299
Filing Date: April 24, 2001
Inventors: de Rouffignac et al.
Title: IN SITU THERMAL
PROCESSING OF A
HYDROCARBON
CONTAINING FORMATION
TO INCREASE A POROSITY
OF THE FORMATION

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In the Claims:

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